PATENT APPLICATION FEE DETERMINATION RECORD Effective January 1, 2003 **CLAIMS AS FILED - PART I** SMALL ENTITY **OTHER THAN** (Column 1) (Column 2) TYPE [**SMALL ENTITY TOTAL CLAIMS** FEE RATE FEE RATE FOR BASIC FEE 375.00 BASIC FEE 750.00 NUMBER FILED NUMBER EXTRA OR TOTAL CHARGEABLE CLAIMS minus 20= X\$ 9= X\$18= OR 9 INDEPENDENT CLAIMS minus 3 = X42= X84 =OR MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT +140= +280= OR If the difference in column 1 is less than zgro, eater "0" in column 2. TOTAL TOTAL OR AIMS AS AMENDED - PART II **OTHER THAN** SMALL ENTITY OR SMALL ENTITY (Column 3) (Column 1) (Column 2) CLAIMS HIGHEST ADDI-ADDI-4 REMAINING NUMBER PRESENT RATE TIONAL RATE **TIONAL** ENT **AFTER PREVIOUSLY EXTRA** FEE AMENDMENT PAID FOR FEE ENDM 2 Total Minus X\$ 9= X.B X\$18= OR Independent Minus X42 =X84 =OR FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM +140= +280= OR 12 14 ADDIT. FEE TOTAL TOTAL OR ADDIT. FEE (Column 1) (Column 2) (Column 3) **CLAIMS** HIGHEST ADDI-ADDI-8 REMAINING NUMBER PRESENT RATE TIONAL RATE TIONAL **AFTER PREVIOUSLY EXTRA AMENDMENT** PAID FOR FEE FEE ENDME Total Minus X\$ 9= X\$18= OR Independent Minus *** X42 =X84= OR FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM +140= +280= OR TOTAL OR ADDIT. FEE ADDIT. FEE (Column 1) (Column 2) (Column 3) CLAIMS HIGHEST ADDI-ADDI-O REMAINING NUMBER PRESENT ENT AFTER PREVIOUSLY RATE TIONAL RATE TIONAL **EXTRA AMENDMENT** PAID FOR FEE FEE ENDME Total Minus ** X\$ 9= X\$18= OR Independent Minus X42= X84= OR FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM +140= +280= OR * If the entry in column 1 is less than the entry in column 2, write "0" in column 3. TOTAL TOTAL ** If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, enter "20." OR ADDIT, FEE ADDIT, FEE ***If the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, enter "3." The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (Total or Independent) is the highest number found in the appropriate box in column 1.

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OUTDOOR SEAT CUSHION FOR USE WITH AN

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AMENDMENT-A

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 6, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the claim listing which begins on page 2.

The Discussion section begins on page 7.

New claim 20 is similar to claim 6, but is narrower than claim 6, including some significant additional limitations. New claims 21-23 depend from claim 20 and add further additional limitations thereto.

Conclusion

Applicant respectfully suggests that as presently amended, all of the pending claims are believed to be allowable.

It is applicant's contention that no possible reading of the references, either singly or in any reasonable combination, can be viewed as teaching applicant's claimed invention.

For all of the above mentioned reasons, applicant requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection of record, and allowance of the pending claims.

Applicant respectfully submits that all of the above amendments are fully supported by the original application. Applicant also respectfully submits that the above amendments do not introduce any new matter into the application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge \$43.00 for one independent claim in excess of three, and is hereby authorized to charge \$18.00 for 3 claims in excess of twenty, to Deposit Account 50-0744 in the name of Carrier, Blackman & Associates, P.C., considering the ongoing small entity status of the applicant. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any deficiency, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 50-0744 in the name of Carrier, Blackman & Associates, P.C. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully substitted

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